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Notice of Lifting of Suspension Date:

TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: Preliminary determination of sales at less than fair value and critical circumstances in antidumping duty investigation of non-oriented electrical steel from Japan (A-588-872)

1. On 05/22/2014, Commerce published in the Federal Register (79 FR 29423) its affirmative preliminary determination of sales at less than fair value and critical circumstances in the antidumping investigation of non-oriented electrical steel from Japan.
2. Because Commerce determined that critical circumstances exist for imports of non-oriented electrical steel from Japan from the producers and/or exporters listed below, CBP shall suspend liquidation of all appropriate entries of non-oriented electrical steel from Japan that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after 02/21/2014, which is 90 days before the date of publication of the preliminary determination in the Federal Register. Effective 02/21/2014, for entries of non-oriented electrical steel from Japan from producers and/or exporters listed below, CBP shall require a cash deposit equal to the following dumping margins:

Producers and/or Exporter: JFE Steel Corporation

Case number: A-588-872-001

Cash deposit rate: 204.79%

Producers and/or Exporter: Sumitomo Corporation

Case number: A-588-872-002

Cash deposit rate: 204.79%

All Others

Case number: A-588-872-000

Cash deposit rate: 135.59%

3. If any entries of this merchandise are exported by a firm other than the producer, then the following instructions apply:

A. If the exporter of the subject merchandise does not have its own rate but the producer has its own rate, the cash deposit or bonding rate will be the producer's rate.

B. Where neither the exporter nor the producer has its own rate or the producer is unknown, use the all-others rate of 135.59%percent to establish the cash deposit.

4. The products covered by this investigation are described below:

The merchandise subject to this investigation consists of non-oriented electrical steel (NOES), which includes cold-rolled, flat-rolled, alloy steel products, whether or not in coils, regardless of width, having an actual thickness of 0.20 mm or more, in which the core loss is substantially equal in any direction of magnetization in the plane of the material. The term "substantially equal" means that the cross grain direction of core loss is no more than 1.5 times the straight grain direction (i.e., the rolling direction) of core loss. NOES has a magnetic permeability that does not exceed 1.65 Tesla when tested at a field of 800 A/m (equivalent to 10 Oersteds) along (i.e., parallel to) the rolling direction of the sheet (i.e., B800 value). NOES contains by weight more than 1.00 percent of silicon but less than 3.5 percent of silicon, not more than 0.08 percent of carbon, and not more than 1.5 percent of aluminum. NOES has a surface oxide coating, to which an insulation coating may be applied.

NOES is subject to this investigation whether it is fully processed (i.e., fully annealed to develop final magnetic properties) or semi-processed (i.e., finished to final thickness and physical form but not fully annealed to develop final magnetic properties). Fully processed NOES is typically made to the requirements of ASTM specification A 677, Japanese Industrial Standards (JIS) specification C 2552, and/or International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) specification 60404-8-4. Semi-processed NOES is typically made to the requirements of ASTM specification A 683. However, the scope of this investigation is not limited to merchandise meeting the ASTM, JIS and IEC specifications noted immediately above.

NOES is sometimes referred to as cold-rolled non-oriented (CRNO), non-grain oriented (NGO), non-oriented (NO), or cold-rolled non-grain oriented (CRNGO) electrical steel. These terms are interchangeable.

Excluded from the scope of this investigation are flat-rolled products not in coils that, prior to importation into the United States, have been cut to a shape and undergone all punching, coating, or other operations necessary for classification in Chapter 85 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) as a part (i.e., lamination) for use in a device such as a motor, generator, or transformer.

The subject merchandise is provided for in subheadings 7225.19.0000, 7226.19.1000, and 7226.19.9000 of the HTSUS. Subject merchandise may also be entered under subheadings 7225.50.8085, 7225.99.0090, 7226.92.5000, 7226.92.7050, 7226.92.8050, 7226.99.0180 of the HTSUS. Although HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope is dispositive.

5. This investigation has been assigned investigation number A-588-872.

6. If there are any questions by the importing public regarding this message, please contact the Call Center for the Office of AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce at (202) 482-0984. CBP ports should submit their inquiries through authorized CBP channels only. (This message was generated by O4: TEM.)

7. There are no restrictions on the release of this information.

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Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party